

FO-206.05

SPECIAL FISHING REGULATIONS FOR COOLWATER SPECIES ON SELECT LAKES

Under the authority of sections 41101 through 41105 of Act 451 of the Public Acts of 1994, as amended, being sections 324.41101 through 324.41105 of the Michigan Compiled Laws, the Director of the Department of Natural Resources on October 7, 2004, ordered that for a period of five years the following special regulations are established for the listed lakes:

ALGER COUNTY:

Echo and Duck Lakes on Grand Island

1. Possession Limits:
 - (a) Smallmouth bass: 0
 - (b) Northern pike: 1
 - (c) All other species: 5 fish in any combination
2. Minimum size for northern pike is 30".
3. Artificial lures only. It shall be unlawful to use or possess live bait, dead bait, organic or processed food, or scented material at any time on the shore or water.
4. No spearfishing permitted.

BARRY COUNTY:

Thornapple Lake

1. Muskellunge: Minimum size: 50 inches

Williams Lake

1. Possession Limit: 0. All fish must be immediately returned to the water without injury.
2. Open Season: April 1 – December 15.

CASS COUNTY:

Corey Lake (T6S, R13W, S24)

1. Largemouth bass: minimum size 10".

Stone Lake (T6S, R15W, S35)

1. Largemouth bass: minimum size 10".

CRAWFORD COUNTY:

Wakeley Lake (T26N, R2W, S23)

1. Open to fishing only from June 15 through August 31. Closed to fishing the rest of the year.
2. Catch and release for all fish species.
3. It shall be unlawful to fish with anything other than artificial lures.
4. It shall be unlawful to possess live bait either on the waters of or on the shore of Wakeley Lake.

DICKINSON COUNTY:

Hamilton, Louise, and Mary Lakes (T39N, R28-29W):

1. Possession limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 0 from the last Saturday in May through June 20.

IONIA COUNTY

Woodward Lake (T8N, R6W, S8)

1. Possession limit for walleye is 0.

IRON COUNTY

Ottawa Lake

1. Possession limit for largemouth and smallmouth bass is 0.

Stager Lake (T41N, R32W, S05)

1. Possession limit for walleye: 1
2. Minimum size: 18"
3. Season: May 15 – February 28

Winslow Lake (T46N, R36W, S36):

1. Possession limit for walleye is 0.

KENT COUNTY:

Long Lake (T10N, R11W, S31)

1. Possession limit for walleye is 0.

LEELANAU COUNTY:

North Manitou Lake (T32N, R14W, S29, 32)

1. Artificial lures only: It shall be unlawful to use or possess live bait, dead bait, organic or processed food or scented material at any time on the shore or water.
2. For largemouth and smallmouth bass:
 - (a) Possession limit: 1 fish
 - (b) Minimum size limit: 18 inches

Florence Lake (T31N, R15W, S9):

1. Artificial lures only: It shall be unlawful to use or possess live bait, dead bait, organic or processed food or scented material at any time on the shore or water.

LUCE COUNTY:

Twin Lakes (T45N, R10W, S10,11)

1. For largemouth and smallmouth bass:
 - (a) Possession limit: 1 fish
 - (b) Minimum size limit: 18 inches

MARQUETTE COUNTY:

Deer Lake Basin (T48N, R27W), Carp River downstream from M-28 (T47N, R27W, S4) and all other tributaries to Deer Lake Basin

1. Possession limit: 0. All fish caught must be immediately returned to the water without injury.
2. Artificial lures only may be used. It shall be unlawful to use or possess live bait, dead bait, organic or processed food, or scented material at any time on the shore or water.

Fish Lake (T47N, R29W, S5, 6, 8) for largemouth and smallmouth bass:

1. Possession limit: 1 fish
2. Minimum size limit: 18 inches

MONTMORENCY COUNTY:

North and South Blue and Robarge (Pike) Lakes

1. Open Season: Last Saturday in April through September 30.
2. Possession Limit: 0 (Catch and Release for all species)
3. Gear Restrictions: Artificial lures only.

NEWAYGO COUNTY:

Sand Lake (T11N, R13W, S19):

1. Possession limit for channel catfish, flathead catfish, and all bullheads is 0.

Brush Lake (T14N, R12W, S1):

1. Possession limit for channel catfish, flathead catfish, and all bullheads is 0.

Baptist Lake (T11N, R11W, S23, 24):

1. Possession limit for walleye, channel catfish, flathead catfish, and all bullheads is 0.

OGEMAW COUNTY:

Jewett Lake (Rifle River Recreation Area)

1. In addition to a valid Michigan fishing license, anglers must possess a valid Jewett Lake fishing permit.
2. Catch and release only (0 bag limit).
3. Artificial lures only.
4. Season: May 15 – September 30.

ONTONAGON COUNTY:

Lake of the Clouds (T15N, R43W, S21,22)

1. Statewide seasons apply.
2. All caught smallmouth bass must be immediately returned to the water without injury.
3. Possession of any smallmouth bass, regardless of where taken, is prohibited on this lake.
4. For all other species, the daily possession and size limit shall be in accordance with statewide regulations.
5. Method of take will be with hook and line, artificial lures only. Artificial lures are construed to include any form of commonly accepted fishing lure. Live, dead or preserved bait or organic food substance of any type may not be used or possessed.

ST. JOSEPH COUNTY:

Corey Lake (T6S, R12W, S17, 18, 19, 20, 29)

1. Largemouth bass: Minimum size 10"

Sand Lake (T6S, R10W, S27, 34):

1. Flathead catfish: Possession limit 0 (Catch and Release)

Big Pleasant Lake

1. Largemouth bass: Minimum size 10"

WASHTENAW COUNTY:

Horseshoe Lake

1. Largemouth bass: Possession limit 1; minimum size 14"
 2. Northern pike: Possession limit 1; minimum size 24"
 3. Sunfish: Possession limit 10; no minimum size
- (Sunfish includes bluegill; pumpkinseed, redear, and green sunfish; Black and white crappies; warmouth bass; and rock bass).

This order is assigned number FO-206.05 and is titled "Special Fishing Regulations for Coolwater Species on Select Lakes."

This order rescinds the order entitled "Special Fishing Regulations for Coolwater Species on Select Lakes" effective October 10, 2003, and assigned number FO-206.04.

This order shall take effect April 1, 2005 and shall remain effective through March 31, 2010.